

Keno Advisory Board

Minutes 8.29.22

Attendance: Susan Tatum, Sara Hoyle, Rick Vest, James Michael Bowers, Brodey Weber, Meagan Liesveld, and Jenni Ryan

Review of Keno Advisory Board:

See attached. Susan & Brodey both agreed to serve another Term.

Emergency Fund Policy Revision:

See attached. We cannot make decisions via email; we must have an open meeting. Dave Derbin made the proposed revisions to the Policy. The revised policy allows the Human Services Director to make the grant of emergency funds and report back to the Advisory Board.

- A recent grant was made to Asian Community & Cultural Center in the amount of \$5,000 to hire a Ukrainian Advocate to help families access ERA funds. The grant allowed for 2 months of funding giving them time to secure other funding.

VOTE: Rick motioned to accept the proposed changes and forward to JBC for final approval, Meagan seconded. PASSED 5-0.

Summary of 2022 Semi-Annual Reports (Jan-June):

See attached.

- Currently trying to contact Boy Scouts for their report, we are holding their funds until we receive it.
- In general agencies are seeing an uptick in people accessing services, especially those who haven't in the past.

Endowment Fund:

Our current agreement is to leave it alone until it hits \$1.5M. It hit that amount a few years ago and we decided then to leave it alone due to uncertainties of the pandemic. Now it's at almost \$1.9M.

- Civil Protective Custody (CPC) as we know it will end Sept 30th and we've been determining how to restructure it. 3 main populations have been identified: (homeless, those needing emergency protective custody due to aggression or high levels of intoxication, and your regular DUI's who are cooperative and just need a place to wait for their responsible party to pick them up.
 - Homeless will go to the Mission.
 - We are renovating the old Police Garage to serve as our new Harm Reduction Center to be run by Centerpointe. In the meantime, LPS is donating a pod/mobile classroom for us to use, we just have to pay the costs to have it moved & outfitted.
 - Proposing to use Keno endowment funds in the amount of \$100,000 for the pod.
 - The EPC population consists of roughly 90 people over a year who need entry into the Crisis Center. The Regional Center will be opening up bed to help manage Crisis Center population to accommodate the capacity needs for EPC.
 - There are also about 35 youth taken to CPC at The Bridge last year. All youth will be taken home or to shelter at Cedars.

VOTE: Rick motioned to use \$100,000 from the Keno Endowment Fund to assist in moving and outfitting the Harm Reduction pod. Brodey seconded. PASSED 5-0.

Summary of Amount Available for 2023:

We will again have \$250,000 to allocate.

Review of Keno Application & Review Process:

- No changes were made to the guidelines this year.
- Revised question 7 to: How do you recruit & retain qualified staff?
- Deleted question 8.
- Timeline: Will send the press release out & open the application Sept 1st. Applications will be due Sept 30th. Grant Review Oct 26th from 9-11am.
- Will once again use a 5 point rating scale.
- Semi-annual report – no changes.

Next Meeting – Grant Review on October 26, 2022 from 9-11am location TBD.

Respectfully Submitted:

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